

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

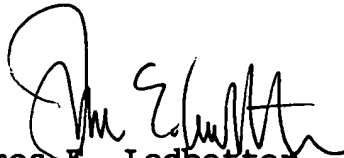
During a telephone interview on October 24, 2006, the examiner indicated that claims 13 and 14 contain allowable subject matter. The Office Action reiterates this indication.

Claims 11 and 13 have been amended to include the subject matter of claims 12 and 14, respectively, and all other claims are now canceled, including non-elected claims 17-26 which may be re-submitted without prejudice in a continuing application.

Accordingly, a notice to of allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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